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Hereaball the Press the People's rights main Unaw'd by party, and unbribed by gain, Pledged but to Truth, to Liberty and Law, No Favor sways us, and no Fear shall awe

City Charter.-The Legislature. We observed a petition in circulatio in Lawrence the other day for signatures praying the Territorial Legislature to legalize the bogus City Charter of Lawrence. The Legislature might, with or the Topeka Constitution. The Charter was framed by a few individuals outside of any law. But a very few participated in getting it up; it was endorsed by but 129 votes out of the 700 or 800 within the city limits; the officers under it were elected by a like minority of the people, and all its acts have been gross recognized. It originated with those who ernment in motion even in antagonism to the Federal government, and is but a factional movement at best. To introduce such an element in the Legislature would be to produce discord where harmony is desired. If legalized, it would create a bitter controversy in the town, which it would require long years to heal.

A city charter is much desired for Lawrence. We trust the Legislature, at an early day, will pass a general act, which Company are yet pushing forward their the legal voters of an incorporated town project of spanning the Kansas river at can vote upon, and if formally accepted that place with iron. Being exclusively by a majority of the legal voters-proper of stone and iron it necessarily takes public notice having been given of the much time, and a large amount of money time and place of holding the election- to complete it, but there is a gratification then it shall become the fundamental in knowing that it will be permanent and law of such city, and officers may be an honor to the Territory. The iron

A legislative body should never forget on the ground full one half of the quarthat though it may be elected by a party, rying and stone cutting is finished. yet they are legislating for the whole peoand the makers of them infamous.

say, was the most joyous one witnessed place in the Territory where the two opin Lawrence since its first settlement.

"An election, or semblance of an elec-

tion" was held in Mound City, in Linn county, the other day. Ninety-two votes were cast in the forenoon for Judge SMITH, as Governor, under the Lecompton Constitution, and a similar vote for the balance of the ticket. James Montgomery, a Senator under the Topeka Constitution, in violation of the late act of the Legislature, making it a criminal offence to interfere in any manner so as to cause an "irregularity," or prevent a fair expression of the popular will through the ballot-box, did, with force and violence, parts of the Territory, and it gives us after the manner of the Border Ruffians at pleasure to announce that the Anti-Usurp-Leavenworth two years ago, break up, ation Ticket is elected for State officers, and utterly destroy the ballot-box, though by a majority of several thousand. We he was professing to be a Free State man, have also a majority, in both branches of while none but Free State votes had been the Legislature. Gross frauds were perdeposited in said ballot-box

that damnable transaction, and it is of the Judges and Clerks, and are deterenough to excite the injured parties to mined to bring them to justice. Border Ruffian, because this privilege was free! denied his friend, he broke the ballot-box The voting policy has prevailed, and ty in each branch of the Legislature, we against us for our support of Gov. Walk-Free State man

We are happy to learn that Montgomery and many disparaging circumstances. be a Free State man, a member of the voting. Topeka Legislature. The people of Linn county should everywhere express their disapprobation of that act, and hold the general execration.

Riley County all Right.

usurpation Democratic ticket, should that located there, and application has been party make a nomination of a State ticket, made to Congress, for a post route from and the Free State party should not nom- Iowa Point, via Hamlin, to Marysville. he was nominated for State Treasurer rence road at this point. they dropped him for Senator and nominated Dr. HUNTING in his place. Their

The following letter speaks for itself. public eye, yet we trust the author will excuse the liberty we take with it. The whole tone of our correspendence for the last few weeks indicate a general ap-

ment some more

BOSTON, Dec. 24, '57. DEAR SIR:- Flease accept the enclosed wards yourself as an active opponent of the measures of the Slavery Propagandists in Kansas.

I should be exceedingly happy to contribute liberally towards greasing the wheels of the Herald of Freedom—a paper that has certainly been devoted to the cause of Freedom, with an energy of purpose that is indeed praiseworthy. Truly Yours &c., GEO. W. CARNES.

G. W. BROWN, Esq. Mr. Carnes will accept our thanks for his generous contribution. When hundreds are writing us that the times are so hard and money so scarce that they cannot renew their subscriptions, though they equal propriety, legalize the Lecompton, hardly know how to get along without the Herald of Freedom; and others write that they subscribed in the past, merely out of compliment to the editor, being able to get the news nearly as early through their eastern papers; and still recognized. It originated with those who were desirous of putting the Topelia gov-

all that, such tokens of approval go far the facts which were developed in contowards reconciling us to our fortune.

Bridge, &c., at Tecumseh. We learn that the Tecumseh Bridge

Though Tecunisch has made less noise ple. Their acts are not for to-day, but in the world than some other places, yet for all time. They affect the weal or woe she has been gradually pushing on her of millions who come after them. Every improvements, generally erecting a better law should be scrutinized with the deep- set of buildings than any other inland est interest, to see that it contains none of town in Kansas, unless, perhaps it is Lawthose elements which have made laws rence. It was started, under pro-slavery objectionable in other ages of the world. influences, but like every other town in Kansas settled under sinvilar auspicies, un-It is a proud day for Lawrence to see less it is Oxford, the population has gradthe people's representatives from all parts ually assumed a mixed character, and of the Territory here in session engaged then the Free State party has the ascendin giving legal form to the popular will. ency. We are assured that there is less They were welcomed by a Legislative personal bickering and strife there be-Party on Thursday, which, we venture to tween the two parties than at any other

> posing parties are settled together. The town company are holding out good inducements to mechanics and business men to settle in the place. It is represented that there is no safer place to make investments in the Territory than again it would be well to appoint a Comthere. When the Bridge is completed, mittee to investigate the manner the Postwhich will be at an early day in the office is managed at Lecompton. Indeed points above on the Missouri, in the directown to investigate the matter themselves. Gov. WALKER because he is too strongly

the way of Tecumseh. Cheering News. We have reliable intelligence from all petrated at Kickapoo, Shawnee and Ox-We have all the particulars in regard to ford, but the civil authorities are in search

violence. Montgomery was not willing Whatever action Congress may see fit the people should vote, and after some of to take in regard to the admission of them had done so, he made some weak- Kansas under the Lecompton Swindle. kneed Free State men believe it was we are now prepared for it, and the freeimproper to do so; and then he demand- dom of Kansas is firmly secured beyond ed, and claimed the right, to take tick- the possibility of a doubt. Again we ets out of the ballot-box. Like a true say, 'friends rejoice with us,' Kansas is had been active everywhere, and all had

into pieces. A fit act for a person who the glorious result before us is attributable wishes to enslave a free people, but an to the energetic action of the old standard outrage not to be tolerated in a professed bearers of the party, who engaged in this that case Congress could take just such abounding with column after column of contest with heart and soul, against time, action as it pleased in regard to us. If

the law passed by our own Free State had shared in the honor of gaining this a new Constitution which would have shown a different spirit several months Legislature, which was designed to pre- victory, but we have no censures for those serve the purity of the ballot-box; but who adopted another line of policy, only we are extremely mortified that almost we hope they will not claim, in a few the first prosecution under the law will weeks, that they were always in favor of

A gentleman from Brown county states that in March last a party of men from author of it up to the public as worthy of Maine settled in the northern part of Brown county, and located a town on section nine, township two, range sixteen. Mr. Barry, a Representative in the and commenced improvements. They Territorial Legislature, from Riley County, have a steam saw mill now in operation, says that the people there had resolved to and have commenced improvements on a were greatly disappointed when they spring they will have a fair start with land. heard of the action of the Delegate Con- stores, mechanic shops, schools, and all vention. So determined were they to the other paraphernalia of a well organvote, they had resolved to vote the anti- ized county town. A postoffice is already

inate any. They had nominated Mr. Hamlin is on a line from Lawrence to MEAD for Senator, and would have sup- Nebraska City, and the road from Topeka ported him, but when they learned that to Nebraska City will intersect the Law-

Or The several sewing societies in entire representative ticket was elected, Lawrence gave a Union Festival, at the "wherein from fifteen to twenty persons responsible for it, and on them be the conand a large vote was cast for the State Johnson House, on Tuesday evening last. participated in Brown's Cellar Kitchen," sequences. The vote of Riley county was recorded in attendance. The supper served up by they should write, talk and act as they in the Delegate Convention, by some the hostess of the Johnson House, was did; but it must be extremely mortify- the Kansas papers which have been the in the Delegate Convention, by some person who knows nothing about the voice of the people, against voting, while the reporte took the opposite position and did event. Those who know nothing about the popular feeling should not missabut the popular feeling should not the people in public conventions.

The better which have been the hostess of the Johnson House, was did; but it must be extremely mortifythe follows: the kansas papers which have been the lower excellent, and did credit to the ladies engaged in preparing it. A war before the people of Kansas. We stitution, and opposed to any relief trom the proposed to any relief trom the proposed to any relief trom the people of Kansas. We stitution, and opposed to any relief trom the members are bound by the most volcant the work most not in the Territory similar to did; but it must be extremely mortifythe foll any effect upon his did; but it must be extremely mortifyther of the Torritory similar to work the violent and most did to the Torritory similar to the the violent and most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Wormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton a few the most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Wormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton a few the most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Mormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton a few the most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Mormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton a few the most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Mormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton a few the most violent in favor of the Topeka Consum of the Mormons, It is asserted that Lykins county, died in Lecompton and the fer trom the follows:

L. S. Hall, W. S. The Lodge in Law of the violent and most title dates that was the winter and to the laws, take the lives of their consum of the Mormons, It is

. The people of Kansas did not particinee, Kickapoo, and probably Lightning of the matter :but at Lawrence, Topeka, Tecumseh, to the orator who was so bitterly assailing investigation will sustain this assertion.

Notwithstanding the tight times, and parties concerned are laboring to suppress judgment and sense of right," to the former management of the Westtremble in their boots "

For the two last weeks our subscribers versy. at Lecompton have not received their papers, though mailed regularly from work is in progress at Cincinnati, while master at Kanwaca. The United States Statutes make it a penalty of \$500, to withhold any mail matter sent to any could disregard the law with impunity, other things :but the order of things has changed -Though "new rulers" may not "make new ones to good purpose.

The Lecompton Postoffice. When our friends visit Lecompton spring, the travel from Leavenworth, and it would be well for the friends of that tion of Burlingame, Council Grove, Em- The postmaster at that place for seveporia, Hesperia and Sante Fe, will be by ral weeks, has suppressed the Herald of Freedom. If suppressed this week we shall employ means to suppress him forthwith. Had the postoffice at that place been properly managed it is probable the Legislature would have been in ession there to-day, but it is a notorious fact that the office has been subject to the espionage of a set of political tricksters for two years past, and many valuable letters and papers have been abstracted from the office, by whom we say not.

H. H. Williams a Senator.

friend and fellow prisoner, H. H. WILL-IAMS, Esq., is elected to the Senate under the Lecompton swindle. Williams is a knowingly do the least injustice to our first rate fellow, and just the right kind of friend of the Chindowan, so we make this a person to be in the Senate to defeat the statement for his benefit, Lecompton usurpation. If our friends voted, instead of but two or three majori-

reflected the popular feeling. A Strong Position.

If Kansas is not already admitted into the Union under the Lecompton Constitution, what more powerful argument can be urged against it than for Hon, MARCUS J. PARROTT, the Representative in Congress, elected by the people under that instrument, to stand up in his place, and say that though he holds a seat in Conis a gross fraud upon the people, a usurpation everywhere repudiated, and that his instructions are to do all in his power to

dorsed. He was elected to Congress un- lence, or popular officers. der the Topeka Constitution in August : the Territorial Government in October and the Lecompton Swindle on the 4th inst. Nobody will think of questioning Monday last, with the view of getting his right to a seat in that body.

Subjects of Sympathy.

There were nearly two hundred persons and nominated a State ticket. It was fit

Exciting Debate.

The N. Y. Tribune has a letter from Though evidently not intend ed for the pate in the election on the 21st ult. They Washington, of the 22d ult., detailing a Washington since our last. Congress had could see nothing to gain by voting on discussion in the Senate, between Messrs. adjourned over for the holidays, and it the Constitution either for or against Sla- STUART of Michigan, FITCH of Indiana, will be several days' before we get any very, as there was but little difference in and Douglas of Illinois, Mr. Fitch further intelligence from that quarter, the instrument whether one feature or the made a violent attack on Senator Douglas. Creek, in McGee county, the vote was During the latter part of Mr. Fitch's their origin. large for the Constitution with Slavery, speech the Little Giant had laid perfect-

Burlingame, Emporia, Ossawotomie, Centropolis, and other real towns south of the river; as well as at Leavenworth, side of the river there was no vote for it, rose to his feet, there was a hushed murand only a very small one against it. Most mur through the crowded hall that indiof the real votes cast on the 21st ult, cated how deep was the interest and the were cast by invaders from Missouri. Let expectation of the andience. He made a temporary residence in Lawrence, and will feeds existing all over the country, which that fact be born in mind, and Members and ingenious, and delivered with a proud, of Congress may rely upon it, and on this fierce energy of gesture and a sonorous assertion may base any remarks they are ringing of his fine voice that made it one disposed to make, with a certainty that an of the most impressive displays of oratory I have ever witnessed. sight of him was an imposing picture of animal and intellectual strength and power as he walked slowly to and fro across A friend writes us from Westport, Mo., er as he walked slowly to and fro across the Senate floor, tossing his shaggy locks is no longer for sale, but it has resolved to the next term of the Court to answer the that in cleaning out a well in that place a as an angry lion tosses his mane, jerking go on and triumph to the end. few days ago, they found several mail out his sharp, sinewy sentences, and turnbags, containing a large number of letters ing now and then upon the gentleman from Indiana, and vehemently demandothers that they subscribed for the purdirected to Lawrence, K. T. The letters ing, with a stamp of his foot, what he pose of enabling us to revive the paper; were principally dated in June and Aumeant by comparing him to Aaron Burr? in consequence of which our almost en- gust of 1856. In one letter was found a Or by accusing him of his ambitious tire recei pts are cut off at a time like the \$ 100 draft, which was so defaced that schemes to break down the Democratic like the above. And it is a still greater ed. The well was in the occupancy of him as a crime his dissent from the Pressatisfaction to know that our course meets King, the editor of the Border Ruffign at ident on some particulars relating to Kanthe approbation of those true friends of the time of the occurrence. It will be sas? "What if I do differ from the the cause, whose only efforts have been remembered that Col. H. G. Boon was vile tool of any President to receive and President? I have not become the serpostmaster at Westport at that time. The obey his instructions against my own

nection with it, but we have the whole in ed that but for the protection of the Uniour possession, which we shall not hesi- ted States troops, the people would not tate to make public in due time. We let them stay a day in the Territory .are accumulating a mass of facts in regard | Again he warned the Senate that if this attempt to force a Constitution upon Kansas against the wishes of nine-tenths of port postoffice which will make the friends of even the late ruffian postmaster there, would be the result.

ed attacks upon him, he said he asked no mercy, he should shrink from no contro-If the design were to bring him out and exhibit his strength by repeated assaults, he would foil that design by making no reply to them until a sufficie this office. The fault is not with the number were collected to merit his no-Lawrence Postmaster, nor with the Post- tice, when he would give a raking fire at

the whole group. Gov. Walker's Abolitionism The press can't be satisfied without oost office in the United States. If any fault-finding. A short time ago the New of our subscribers at Lecompton will be England Society, prompted by the highto the trouble of furnishing evidence that toned national spirit which characterized the Herald of Freedom, sent to that office. Gov. WALKER's letter of resignation. s not promptly delivered to subscribers, wrote that gentleman a letter, inviting we will commence a criminal investiga- him to visit their Society, and participate tion of the matter, and will labor to put in an anniversary dinner. The Governor Mr. Roderique right before the Country, replied in his usual happy way; but the as well as before a Grand and Petit Jury. Boston Courier, an old Whig paper, "smelt The time has been when Postmasters in a rat" underlying the Governor's letter, Kansas, like all other federal officers, so it published the following, among

learned (we presume from his invitation) laws," yet they will enforce some old very sentiment had infected that Association, which he ought to have seized the occasion to rebuke rather than encourage; but on the contrary, he could not have addressed them in a more congenial spirit; if he had written with the pen or spoken with the tongue of brother Cheever, has several hundred Free State major-

> A New England journal complaining of tinctured with abolitionism! What next?

23d ult., in recording his vote against in Kansas, are invited to be present. voting at the election on the 4th. We understand a public meeting was held on his return and the matter was discussed We are happy to observe that our old difference is not so great as we had sup- tire vote of the party in Lykins county, posed, or as our informant in the other case had represented. We could not

Those journals all over the country which were most bitter, and even violent should have been in the possession of ER when in the right, branding us as beevery officer under that instrument. In ing the "Herald of Walker," are now admitted into the Union under that Swin- Even the N. Y. Tribune has come to the earlier it would have been more creditable to them, and better for the cause of feeedom, which they severely prejudiced by their bitterness towards this gentle-

The Topeka Constitution. is said not to be on account of the excellence of that instrument, or the populargress by virtue of that instrument, yet it ular sovereignty. Any other Constitution, because it embodies the principles of pop- act. owing its origin to the popular will, may be just as popular as the Topeka

> Those persons who were active in preventing the people from voting for officers under the Lecompton Constitution on possession of it to crush that instrument, are highly criminal, in our estimation, for

We are happy to observe that some of

We have no news of importance from

FORD probably tells the facts in regard to have that exact information in relation to

The Territorial and Topeka Legi slatures are both in session in Lawrence,-The latter will not attempt to comp icate now existing, proceeds more from persona matters, and the former is dispos ed to hostility than from political considerations adopt a moderate judicious policy which These had their origin in the troubles people, and be consistent with the past country, and the vindictive feeling then engendered among the prominent actors, action of the Free State party.

Acting Gov. DENVER has taken up his hatred. Thus you find the most bitter remain here until the adjournment of the

their abettors, are defeated,

Franklin county, three voting precincts State and Pro-slavery parties," and at one heard from. The vote stands 304 Free time threatened to draw the whole Ter-State to 3 Pro-slavery. Centropolis gave ritory into the quarrel. The difficulty 158 votes for the Anti-Usurpation Ticket | was not at first a political one, but it was for State officers, and 3 Pro-slavery. Burlingame gave 98 votes for the Free never satisfied except when engaged in

Neosho City polled 57 votes against ple desire, and they eagerly seize on every petty quarrel to disturb it. Such the Constitution, and the same vote for

Burlington gave 220 votes against the good citizen to discountenance them, and Constitution, part, only, for the State

Linn county has elected the Free State tachment of United States troops into ticket; as has Shawnee, Lykins, Jefferson, the neighborhood, which has had the ticket; as has Shawnee, Lykins, Jenerson, effect to restore peace to the community. Calhoun, Riley, Pottowotomie, Brecken-The rumors of battles and killing of varidge, Richardson, Allen, Coffey, Brown, rious persons, with which the country Nemaha, Atchison, Leavenworth and was rife at the time, have proved to be In conclusion, referring to these repeat- Douglas counties; giving us 31 out of 44 untrue; the marauders having confined nembers in the House; and 14 cut of 19 in the Senate, upwards of two-thirds ma-

jority in each branch of the Legislature, "Brown's Cellar Kitchen nomination" portions of the American Union; and it smokes strongly of being more popular is sincerely to be hoped that the troubles with the people than it is with political

We learn that 530 votes were cast gratifying result and will give a new im-Wyandott, on Monday last, 380 of petus to the prosperity and settlement of which were against the Lecompton Constitution, with a still larger vote for the the older States, many of whom enter-Free State ticket. Leavenworth gave tained extreme views on the question of about 1,300 votes against the Lecompton domestic slavery, it could hardly be ex-Constitution, and about 1,200 for the State ticket. Kickapoo, as usual gave acterized the people of our sister Territoabout 900 votes, few Missourians voting, ry, Nebraska, which was organized under but boys and others voting three or four almost, if not quite as great an extent as times each. Different reports reach us at does here, might have prevented it. from Delaware, the last of which is to There all questions of public policy have the effect that the returns were not signed been determined by a resort to the ballotby the proper officers, and would not be, box, and all parties have yielded a ready because of the gross frauds committed poll was opened at Delaware crossing of attempted at the elections application has the Kansas river, but our present inform. been made to the proper tribunals for coration is to the effect that there were no information extends, without finding relegal polls opened at that point. We dress. On these subjects the conduct of are sanguine that Leavenworth county the people of Nebraska Territory is wor-

Grand Lodge I. O. of O.F. A meeting of Past Grands, of the LO. of O. F., is to be held at the Odd Fellows Lodge, in this city, on the afternoon of the We stated last week that Mr. WALDEN, 13th inst., to complete arrangements for of Quindare, misrepresented the position the organization of a Grand Lodge in Kanof his constituents in the Delegate Con- sas Territory. All P. G.'s, with proper time that I may have control of the Exvention held in Lawrence on the 22d and credentials, representing different Lodges ecutive authority here, nothing shall be

The Southern Kansas Herald, print-ity of this Territory depends on your ed at Osawatomie, published the ticket of legislative action; and I hope that you O'T The Southern Kansas Herald, printat length. On the final vote forty-four the Free State party, and says that it was will be governed by calm judgment and decided in favor of voting, and forty-two the determination of the District Convention should be by all means avoided; the against it. Though we are sustained by tion to support it. We learn that it was patriotic statesman will always be govthe figures, yet we are frank to admit the done, and that it received nearly the en-

to give such expression.

keeping in view the necessities

tention to the Constitution recently fram-

"SEC. 2. All laws now of force in the

This was signed on the 7th day of No-

vember, 1857, and under its previsions

submitted to the people on the 21st day

a time on these propositions, and the oth-

of the Union, under this Constitution, it ernor's abandonment of his position at so

would have the effect to nullify all your critical a moment.

We discontinue all subscriptions at check and punish the vicious. the expiration of the time for which payment is made. In consequence of three weeks suspension in March last, the term ed by a Convention sitting in this place. does not expire until three weeks later in The second section of the schedule the season from what it would under other as follows:

Territory of Kansas, which are not repugnant to this Constitution, shall contin The Topeka Legislature convened and be of force until altered, amended last Tuesday, and adjourned on Wednes- or repealed by a Legislature assembled day last to Lawrence. It is now in ses- under the provisions of this Constitusion in this city. Gov. Robinson sent in will be prosecuted and punished under We would rather that all our friends dle in sixty days we would have framed rescue at last. If those journals had a message recommending the Legislature to preserve the government in tact, to meet any contingency which may arise. We of December last. It was again submithave not yet seen a copy.

Gen. WALKER, the pirate, has been The love for the Topeka Constitution tary of State, Gen. Cass, is highly incensed at the arrest, and the probability seems to be that Commodore PAULDING ity of the officers elected under it, but will be removed for his extra-judicial

Mr. WATTLES has been absent from his post, as one of the editors of the Constitution, and far less exceptionable. Herald of Freedom, for the last six weeks, go into the election on the 4th inst., and liberal scale. With the opening of next By the way, Parrott is pretty well en- as possible, which is not lacking excel- which has appeared in its columns, or which may appear until his return.

> ing back one week. We pity those poor fellows who wasted their acts, and deserve the reproach of so many columns of choice space in their acts, and deserve the reproach of the friends of the cause. If it should respective journals in denouncing the prove that we are defeated, which we respective journals in denouncing the prove that we are defeated, which we respective journals in denouncing the prove that we are defeated, which we represent their acts, and deserve the reproach of the judges and clerks of the "Brown Convention," as they term it, have confidence is not the case, they are for receiving votes, and certifying to false the criminals. Your earliest efforts, responsible for it, and on them be the confidence of the Herald of Freedom for another year.

> > the extent of the law. H. B. STANDIFORD, Esq., a mem-

To the Council and House of Repres tives of the Territory of Kansas. The time having arrived when under the law you are directed to convene for

the transaction of Legislative business, cu stem requires that I should communi-

the internal affairs of the Territory that a longer residence would have afforde I have seen enough to satisfy me that much of the animosity and bitter feeling Delaware, Wyandott &c., on the north of the first settlement of the growing out of the first settlement of the many there was no yote for it.

These had their origin in the troubles adopt a moderate judicious pointy which the refusal to vote threw the Convention into the hands of the ultra Pro-siahave in many instances sunk into persona when traced back are found to have originated in some personal quarrel. By reference to other articles it will be convulsed about a claim to a quarter secseen that the people have again triumyh- tion of land. One man with his friends ed, and that the pro-slavery party, and forcibly removed another from a claim, and for doing so they were arrested under a writ issued by the United States Judges. The Herald of Freedom establishment and held to bail for their appearance at go to that place to vote. This should be spect and confidence even of those whose should be authorized to establish as many charges made against them. A cry of persecution was immediately raised, and voting places as they may deem necessary; and all county and township officers this petty difficulty was soon elevated to the dignity of a "war between the Free seized upon, as a pretext for their acts, by those lawless and restless men who are State ticket, and 112 against the Consti- some broil or exciting trouble. The peace of the country is the last thing such peo-

> election to fill a vacancy in any office, exacts are demoralizing in their effects on cept where in consequence of a tie vote the public mind, and it behooves every the people may have failed to elect. This is a very serious omission and ought to assist in bringing the actors to punish-ment. To quell these disturbances I The provisions of "an Act to provide havs deemed it necessary to send a deolied with They ought to be enforced by affixing a penalty for official neglect in

> their operations to the indiscriminate plunthere is an incorporated city. This should der of friends and foes. The affairs of Kanyas have for a long time attracted much of the attention of all

which have heretofore existed among the people of the Territory, are about to be peaceably adjusted. After the long continued disturbances this will be a most pected that collision would not occur and yet a spirit of tolerance such as has char-

ment, which should be placed under the from this town. If there were any Miscontrol of the Secretary, who is the prop-By requiring every person to whom a how thoroughly the political Anti-Slathere. There has been a rumor that a there; and whenever frauds have been there; and whenever frauds have been fee to the Library Fund, a considerable sum business about that time. measures have never been resorted to may be realized every year, and it would not be long until you would have a Library of great value.

> this time, and it will afford me pleasure at all times to co-operate with you in the enhope that the great mass of the people of this Territory will follow their example, It is much to be regretted that the Federal government has been compelled to interfere in your territorial affairs, and trust that such interference will not be required in the future. A full and fair expression of the wishes of the people. by means of the ballot-box, will settle all these political differences, and during the left undone to afford them an opportunity Much of the future peace and prosper fear. It may be in your power to restore were hurt or not, tranquility and insure prosperity to the Territory, or you may establish a reign of terror which will be disastrous to all the has been acting as Deputy Sheriff, colwhole people, so as to protect and benebest interests of the people, who have en- lecting taxes, seizing the cattle of Free trusted you with legislative authority.— State men, driving them into town and Such is the condition of affairs in the fit the meritorious, and at the same time Before engaging in the business of leg-islation, however, I will direct your at-

> > EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Lecompton, K. T., Jan. 4th, 1858.

From the New York Times

Ex-Governor Walker. Governor Walker's career in Kansas is closed. His letter of resignation, which we published yesterday, gives very cogent quiet to the country. Well disposed reasons for surrendering the office which, less than nine months ago, he accepted at the urgent solicitation of President Buchanan. Under the circumstances of the case, we concur with Governor Walker in the propriety of his resignation. For ted to a vote of the people by an act of the Legislature, approved Dec. 17, 1857, only one of the political parties voting at proceeding steadily in the discharge of proceeding steadily in the discharge of his duties, and awaiting there whatever Gen. WALKER, the pirate, has been ers absenting themselves from the polls. In this condition it will probably be fit to send him. He left the office, how-the Territory. States. It is understood that the Secresent to Congress, and it may be as well ever, in able hands, and the wise and for you to delay any important legislation firm manner in which Secretary Stanton until you can ascertain what action Con- has met the emergency has obviated all cress will take in the premises; for should the evil consequences which might natu-

When Gov. Walker was appointed to acts and revive such as you may have reit then becomes my duty to direct your solely and exclusively by his acts." This attention to some matters on which legislative action may be necessary.

The criminal laws of the Territory

The criminal laws of the Te The criminal laws of the Territory disapprove. Due to the criminal laws of the Territory whole, we believe the result warrants the shall have wholly died away, we trust we try, are at present the most important, - most hearty and emphatic commendation. Every offence against the laws should be He encountered obstacles of the most for- shall be able to arrive at the truth, though We cannot write this week. Indeed we have but little room if ever so
much inclined to. The excessive labor of
the last few weeks will justify us in laythe last few weeks will justify us in laypurpose of reforming them, will never re- sors, and redeemed the office from the duce their number or protect society from degradation and contempt into which it their depredations; but sure and adequate had fallen. He allied himself with no their time of subscription has expired, laws without prisons in which to confine justice to the people of Kansas, without returns made out in those precincts.— therefore, should be directed to the col-They should be arrested, and punished to lection of revenue and the erection of the most intelligent, and the most publicspirited of the inhabitants of the new I have been informed that an organiza- Territory. Neither denunciations, threats, initiated seventeen members last Monday tion exists in this Territory similar to nor flattery had any effect upon his con-

an organization could ever find an exist- in the Pro-Slavery interest, deter him ence in a civilized community; but the from extending to them his official protecbare possibility of its existence, and the tion from the resentment of their politics

fact that assassinations have recently been opponents.

Perpetrated,—giving a color of truth to Governor Walker's first act upon statement,-should induce you to reaching Kansas was to urge the people of give it your most serious attention. By allowing it to go without notice there is great danger that counter organizations may be started, and thus the whole country the placed at the mercy of lawless and for the country, the tree State Party, acting under the lead of the mercy indicates the mercy of the country the state party acting under the lead of the mercy indicates the mercy of the mercy of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the great danger that country the part in the election for members of the part in the election for members of the great danger that country the part in the election for members of the great danger that country the part in the election for members of the great danger that country the part in the election for members of the great danger than the property of the whole Territory to take an active part in the election for members of the whole responsible men.

Of its most violent men, refused to do so.

Subsequent events have shown that but ishment of election frauds, passed at your late session, ought to be so amended as to apply to those who may attempt Convention, and would have been able to to deter men from voting by threats of frame a Constitution in every way satispersonal violence or other means of intim-idation. It ought, also, to provide a State would have been at once admitted up the returns within a specified time. | very Party, while it did not in the less The election law ought also to be invalidate the legality of its action. Gov amended so as to require every person to Walker, however, did not relax his efforts vete at the precient near which he resides, and in no case to be allowed to vote outside of his own municipal township,- which had been selemnly guaranteed to The number of election precincts ought them by the fundamental law to be increased so as to have them conve- cial proclamations and personal effort. nient for the people to attend the polls. preserved the public peace, against the At present, there is only one precinct in efforts of the professional agitators of some of the counties, and the people of both parties; and his impartial administhe whole county are thus compelled to tration of the laws commanded the recorrected. The County Commissioners partisan schemes were frustrated by its

Now that his career is closed, we think the whole country will award to Gover. ought to be elected by the people. nor Walker the praise of having fulfilled A time should be fixed within which the duties of a most difficult position por Walker the praise of having fulfilled election returns should be made. The with singular ability and very marked judges of election ought to make their re- success. His letter of resignation shows turns to the County clerks, and certified conclusively that he abandons his office abstracts of the same should be by them only because of a remarkable and sudden sent to the Secretary of the Territory.— change of policy on the part of the Pres-Penalties should be imposed for the non-ident of the United States. For himperformance of these duties, as also for self, he adheres to the principles which neglecting or refusing to serve as judges he was expressly authorized and instruct. of election when appointed. At present, ed to carry into the administration of there is no provision of law authorizing an Kansas affairs.

> For the Revald of Freedom The Truth from Fort Scott.

FORT SCOTT, K. T., Jan. 1st, 1858. G. W. BROWN, ESQ .- DEAR SIR :- I for the location of Territorial roads in the have too good an opinion of your charac-Territory of Kansas," have not been com- ter to believe that you will refuse me an opportunity to correct some mis-statements into which some unreliable inform-At present the law provides for four ant has led you and your neighbor. I ustices of the peace, and but one consta- allude to your account of the difficulty ble for each municipal township in which that occurred in this County about the be changed so that there should be two middle of last month. The best way to justices and two costables in each town- correct those mis-statements will be to ship, and special provisions should be made state briefly the facts as they transpired,

for incorporated cities and towns, accor- A citizen's court, as the correspondent ding to their population.

The organization and establishment of your cotemporary calls it, had been of your cotemporary calls it, had been to be a stablishment of the contemporary calls it. common schools throughout the Terri- engaged in adjudicating "claims" on the tory, ought to receive every encouragement, and the land applicable to school arrested persons, went through the forms purposes ought to be protected. The duty of watching over and superintending these lands should be imposed on the justices of the peace and constables, and complaint, writs were put in the hands of they be held responsible for them, until the Sheriff and Deputy Marshal against the school trustees shall be elected and take charge of the same. Every precauther the persons engaged in these unlawful take charge of the same. tion aught to be taken to preserve these proceedings. When the Marshal went to ands from depreciation, and apply them to serve these writs he was resisted by the very laudable purposes for which they threats. He made several attempts, in-I would call your attention to the necessity of devising means to build up a posse, with that of the Sheriff, amounted Territorial Library as the seat of govern- to about forty men, most of whom were issued, to pay a small there were about that number here on

The persons for whom writs were had, together with some friends, numbering in se are some of the chief objects to all about forty, were fortified in a sort of which I desire to call your attention at log fort. The Marshal, in his official capacity, held a conference with their leadactment of all just and proper laws within ers, informed them of the nature of his the sphere of the powers conferred by the errand, and the consequences of resist-Organic act. That act is to the Territory ance, and received answer that they what a constitution is to an organized would not surrender. He had hardly recannot be transcended by us. The powers turned to his posse before a fire of Sharpe's it confers are specific and must not be disregarded. It is in fact the chart by which After thirty shots had been received, (but we must shape our course. So long, therefore, as we shall limit our official action to its provisions,—listen to wise counsels,— men to return the fire, which was done. legislation, pursue such a Fortunately it is not true that Marshal course as will give security to the lives, LITTLE was shot. The horse of one of liberty and property of the people, -lay his posse received a dangerous wound, aside personal animosities for the public good, and hold the Territorial officers to a and its owner was stunned on the arm strict accountability for the faithful execu- with a rifle-ball. I cannot ascertain defition of the laws, we can have nothing to nitely whether any of the other party

The statement that Gen. G. W. CLARKE Territory at this time. Shall reason, or passion prevail? J. W. DENVER. has not one word of truth in it. Gen. Secretary and Acting Governor. Clarke has acted in no such capacity, and has done no such thing. He has kept himself in town, devoting himself strictly to his private business.

The presence of Capt, STURGIS here, with his companies of Cavalry, has had the good effect of giving confidence and persons of all parties are glad they are here. Hastily, &c.,

GEO. A. CRAWFORD.

The vote on the 21st of December, votes. Five thousand five hundred of

The vote on Monday last "Against the Lecompton Constitution," will equal 10,-000 or 12,000, every one of which repre-Kansas be admitted as one of the States rally have been anticipated from the Gov- sents a legal voter.

Troubles at Fort Scott. We publish in another place a letter pealed. If, however, you shall conclude this possible state of affairs, the to disregard this possible state of affairs, the total district the total property of the total property of

Lawrence Lodge of Good Templars night. The Order is prospering finely .-